

TEMPERANCE IS TO BE THE THEME

Portland Will Have Opportunity of Hearing Nation's Leading Prohibition Orators.

CONGRESS OPENS AT FAIR ON TUESDAY MORNING

Among the Distinguished Speakers Whose Presence Will Make Meeting of Anti-Liquor People Memorable Will Be St. John.

"The Lewis and Clark Temperance congress, which begins Tuesday morning at the White temple, is to hear some of the most distinguished platform orators in the United States," said I. H. Amos today.

"I hope the people of this city will appreciate the opportunity this congress will offer to hear the intelligent advocacy of prohibition by our speakers. It will be due to them as men whom the people are honoring everywhere with large audiences."

The dominant note in the temperance propaganda is prohibition. We are unalterably opposed to the license system and believe that the only way to do away with the liquor traffic is to do away with it—prohibit it.

The congress next week will continue from Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock until Sunday afternoon, when there will be a big rally in the Marquam theatre.

The Independent Order of Good Templars will first have the attention of the congress. There will be papers and discussion on the work of that organization, and Ex-Governor John P. St. John of Kansas will be one of the speakers. George R. Cottrell and James R. O'Farrell will also speak.

The session beginning at 9 o'clock in the afternoon will be devoted to the general consideration of the Good Templars, and Ex-Governor St. John's address will be at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Oratorical Contest on Prohibition. The Intercollegiate Prohibition association will be in session Wednesday, under the direction of D. Leigh Colvin, president. In the evening there will be an oratorical contest among seven young people representing five states.

Thursday the young people's societies will have the platform at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and at 8 o'clock Clinton N. Howard will speak on the subject: "In the Name of Jesus Christ as King, the Liquor Traffic is Prohibited."

Friday will be the day for the National Prohibition alliance, with Charles R. Jones as chairman. Early morning discussions will be held in the afternoon, and in the evening Clinton N. Howard will address the delegates.

On Saturday there will be a children's demonstration and W. C. T. U. reception. The children will form in front of the Portland hotel at 9:30 o'clock and, led by the exposition administration band, will march through the leading streets, have a free car ride and admission to the fair grounds for all under 12 years of age.

At 3 o'clock Sunday, at the farewell rally in the Marquam theatre, Ex-Governor John P. St. John and Charles R. Jones will speak.

No Joint Debate. When laying plans for the congress, Chairman Amos sent to A. Crofton, manager of the Brewers and Wholesale Liquor Dealers' association an invitation to appoint a speaker of repute to set forth the beliefs of the liquor men on the subject of prohibition, assuring him that the speaker would have a respectful hearing.

Mr. Crofton replied, saying that the association would not appoint such a representative, for the reason that debate on prohibition was productive only of intemperate speech.

FAMOUS RAM KATAHDIN IS FALLING TO PIECES

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 16.—The Katahdin, the famous ram constructed after designs made by Admiral Ammen, and which for a long time has been lying idle at the League Island navy yard, is gradually falling to pieces. The navy department is in a quandary concerning the ship's future, and it is doubtful whether the \$2,000 required to make the most necessary repairs on the ship will be allowed.

The naval constructors and others have been examining the ship with a view to ascertaining whether it is possible to convert it to some practical use, but it is so constructed for the purpose of ramming in a naval engagement that the removal of this principal characteristic would cost more than the ship would be worth without the novel structural function of offense.

It was realized early that the Katahdin was a failure and it was decided that as little as possible would be done with it. As nobody wants the ship and nothing can be made of it, it is not considered wise to expend any money for keeping it afloat.

For that reason it is quite probable that the Katahdin at one time a famous ship, will be allowed to crumble to pieces in the grave yard of the navy at League Island.

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LEADING FIGURES IN THE TEMPERANCE CONGRESS

Charles R. Jones.



John P. St. John.



Clinton N. Howard.

I. H. Amos.

SEVEN FINE HOMES IN ONE DAY

Work Begun on Residences That Will Aggregate Twenty Thousand Dollars.

RUSH FOR BUILDING IS COMING LATE

Northern Pacific Building Has Made People Realize Prices Are Going Up and They Are Not Waiting Decline Following Fair.

Seven residences were started yesterday, the aggregate cost of which will be \$20,000. Three of these will be flats and the remainder pretty homes of business men.

The building boom grows. With the optimism prevailing in midsummer, there would have been many more homes completed this year.

The strongest recent development of an encouraging nature has been the railway work. With the Northern Pacific planning to make this a terminal point and expending large sums of money in the work, Portland property owners are more confident than ever.

The conviction has been a wonderful influence on property. Values are going up and will continue to rise for some time in response to the general prosperity of the city.

Under one roof may be seen the largest hall of its kind on the coast and a mammoth orchestra, the biggest in the world.

Music will be furnished for the occasion by the Bohemian Ladies' orchestra, an organization which has frequently evoked praise from those competent to criticize.

Refreshments of all kinds, including roast chicken and other products of the culinary art so tempting to the epicure, will be served.

The entertainment to be provided is high-class, the performances including features seen nightly in the best vaudeville houses.

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WILLIAMS AVENUE IS CLOSED

Meantime Residents of Lower Portion of Street Are Wondering What Will Happen.

DELAY IN SHIPMENT OF TROLLEY ROAD RAILS

That is the Explanation Offered by the City Engineer's Office for the Long Postponement of Much-Needed Improvement.

After spending more than a year trying to get to and from business over the rotting plank roadway and rickety bridges that composed lower Williams avenue, the property-owners two months ago were delighted to awake one morning and discover a force of men graving the street preparatory to making permanent improvements.

Complaints at the office of the city engineer elicited the statement that the Portland Consolidated company was to blame for the delay, because it had not placed the rails required by the specifications, and the Warren Construction company had not been able to proceed with the work until the rails were laid.

MUSICALES AT LENTS. Evangelical Association Plans Elaborate Program for Tuesday.

The missionary committee of the Evangelical Young People's alliance at Lents will give an elaborate musical program Tuesday evening, September 19, at Davis hall, Lents.

BIG FAMILY REUNION. After Thirty-Three Years Children of J. W. Davis Gather in Portland.

Today at the home of Mrs. J. W. Craig, 424 East Grant street, the 10 children of J. W. Davis, an Oregon pioneer, are gathered in a family reunion with their children for the first time since they left home 33 years ago.

REPAIR PERMIT. J. Campbell, dwelling on East Eighth at the corner of East Grant, \$25.

ALADDIN'S PALACE MODERNIZED. Erickson's Cafe, Remodeled as a Family Resort, to Have Brilliant Opening.

Transformed into a modern family resort by the architect, the changes and improvements requiring many days, August Erickson's cafe, admittedly the premier establishment of its kind on the Pacific coast, will witness a grand opening tonight.

Take Advantage of Side Trips. Holders of certain Lewis and Clark tickets are entitled to fifteen-day one-way tickets on the Southern Pacific as far south as Ashland.

AT THE THEATRES. "Judah" a Strong Play.

"Judah," the story of a man who "perjured himself like a gentleman," continues as a dramatic sensation at the Marquam theatre.

"Chaperons" Next Week. No musical comedy has become so popular as J. W. Winters' successful "Chaperons," which will be seen at the Marquam theatre all next week with matinee Wednesday and Saturday.

At the Baker. There will be no performance at the Baker tonight, as the company is obliged to leave for San Francisco immediately after the matinee.

"Fabio Romani" Tomorrow. The Empire will be dark tonight, but the box office is open for the sale of seats for "Fabio Romani" tomorrow afternoon.

Fine Bill at Grand. Today and tomorrow will be the last opportunities for seeing the big vaudeville-bill at the Grand.

Good Bill at the Star. Clancy and Swartz head a splendid bill at the Star in a novel dramatic sketch, "Violent Cook," a wirewalker, is very graceful and has a charming stage presence.

"The King of Tramps." Tonight and Sunday will be the last chance to see P. O. McLean's big success entitled "The King of Tramps," which has made each a personal hit at the Lents this week and given

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DEFEAT OF TEDDY IS PLANNED

Railroads Agree Upon Program of Action to Head Off Rate Control Legislation.

AGREE TO CONCESSIONS ON PRIVATE CAR LINES Will Consent to Regulation of Refrigerator Cars and Terminals—Trust Prepared for Campaign—Has Senate Fixed.

(Journal Special Service.) Washington, Sept. 16.—To forestall rate legislation by concessions against private car lines and terminal facilities is the program of the railroad companies in the struggle during the coming winter with President Roosevelt and the public opinion behind him.

The railroad people know what they are about. They have a clever plan. They say: "Oh, yes, we believe congress is going to pass a railroad rate bill at the suggestion of the president. The president is to win out. He will get the legislation. We are not strong enough to stop him."

But the sort of legislation the railroad managers and their adroit attorneys talk about, and the sort that the president favors are different things.

The president wants the rate-making power lodged in federal agencies as a corrective, if not as an original act, and this power will be exercised broadly and expeditiously enough to attain the reforms which the country is asking.

Railroad managers and attorneys want legislation to regulate private car lines and terminals, but are opposed to the placing of the rate-making power in the hands of a federal body.

Railroad people believe that by offering no objections to private car and terminal legislation, they can stave off action on the really vital point, which is rate regulation. The president is not ready to accept the railway plan, but the corporations have gained a strong position in the senate and there is danger that the president will be beaten.

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